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The Honorable Ikaika Anderson Chair and Presiding Officer and Members Honolulu City Council City and County of Honolulu 530 South King Street, Room 202 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-3065

Dear Chair Anderson and Councilmembers:

Enclosed are two resolutions for your consideration and introduction. The first resolution nullifies the Master Plan for Waimanalo Bay Beach Park except for Phase 1. The second resolution renames Waimānalo Bay Beach Park to Hūnānāniho Cultural and Historic Park. I would appreciate your scheduling of hearings to enable a public discussion on these two proposals and allow community members on all sides of the issue to voice their opinions and be heard.

Furthermore, by this letter I am providing the Honolulu City Council notice that, as Mayor, I will not be proceeding with implementing any of the additional phases under the Waimanalo Bay Beach Park Master Plan approved by the Council in 2012. The City will complete Phase 1 in some form but will take no further action towards implementing any of the other phases.

Thank you in advance for all the hard work, attention and diligence that you will devote to this matter.

Sincerely,

Kirk Caldwell

Mayor

**Enclosures** 



#### RESOLUTION TO NULLIFY THE WAIMANALO BAY BEACH PARK MASTER PLAN.

WHEREAS, Waimānalo Bay Beach Park is a 74.76-acre beach park located on Windward Oʻahu adjacent to Bellow Air Force Reserve; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, the Waimānalo Bay Beach Park Master Plan was approved by the City and County of Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, construction of Waimānalo Bay Beach Park, Phase I began on April 19, 2019; and

WHEREAS, grubbing of the area encompassing Phase I of the Waimānalo Bay Beach Park Master Plan has been completed; and

WHEREAS, halting the Phase I of the Waimānalo Bay Beach Park Master Plan would still require installation of permanent ground cover, a water line and irrigation system, placement of top soil, fine grading, and planting and maintenance of ground cover; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Branch of the City and County of Honolulu and the Council of the City and County of Honolulu no longer wish to proceed with any of the other phases of the Waimānalo Bay Beach Park Master Plan and seeks only to remedy the grubbing of the area encompassing Phase I of the Master Plan with input from and cooperation with the Waimānalo community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu, that the Mayor and Council hereby nullifies the Waimānalo Bay Beach Park Master Plan so that it no longer has any force or effect, except Phase I in some form, and to ensure that there will be no further development at Waimānalo Bay Beach Park under the Master Plan including any further phases except for the completion of Phase I in some form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City and County of Honolulu will work with the Waimānalo community to create a Waimānalo Community Plan inclusive of Waimānalo Bay Beach Park through a committee established by the community, including but not limited to the Waimānalo Neighborhood Board and other organizations located in Waimānalo; and

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, Department of Parks and Recreation, Department of Design and Construction, Waimānalo Neighborhood Board, Senator Laura Thielen and Representative Chris Lee.

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RENAMING WAIMĀNALO BAY BEACH PARK TO HŪNĀNĀNIHO CULTURAL AND HISTORIC PARK, WALKER ROAD TO KŪKIA'IPAPA ROAD, AND SMITH ROAD TO NĀKUA'ĀINA ROAD.

WHEREAS, Section 22-9.3(a)(2), Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 ("ROH"), provides that a new or existing park, site, or facility may be named:

- 1. For the neighborhood, community, district, or region in which the park, site, or facility is located;
- 2. After the primary street which it abuts; or
- 3. In the Hawaiian language with a name which describes the site or its use, function or purpose; and

WHEREAS, ROH Section 22-9.5(f), authorizes the City Council ("Council") to "designate a name for a new or existing park, site, facility, or any portion thereof, or memorial, consistent with the requirements set forth herein, by adoption of an appropriate resolution"; and

WHEREAS, Waimānalo Bay Beach Park, located at 41-1062 Kalaniana'ole Highway (Tax Map Key 4-1-015: 015); is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, Waimānalo Bay Beach Park is located within the Bellows Field Archaeological Area, #73002278 August 14, 1973, and still on the National Registry of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, The Bellows Field Archaeological Area is on the National Registry because it had some of the earliest habitation sites in Hawai'i that include artifacts of Marquesan origin, also known as Te Fenua Enata, not found in later archaeological sites; and

WHEREAS, The Bellows Field Archaeological Area that includes the Waimānalo Bay Beach Park has burials and habitation sites that are historically and culturally significant to kānaka maoli, the Hawaiians of today; and



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WHEREAS, Within the Bellows Field Archaeological Area is Bellows Air Force Base, located at 220 Tinker Road (Tax Map Key 4-1-015: 001), is the site of Waimānalo's only pu'uhonua, place of refuge, called Hūnānāniho, to safeguard one's self from predation; and

WHEREAS, A pu'uhonua, according to noted historian and esteemed elder Richard "Līkeke" Kekumuikawaiokeola Paglinawan requires a kahu or sentinel to uphold the sanctity of the area and to protect the iwi or burials within its borders; and

WHEREAS, Hūnānāniho is the most appropriate name for the area encompassing what is currently referred to as Waimānalo Bay Beach Park and Kūkia'ipapa and Nākua'āina respectively known as Walker Road and Smith Road; and

WHEREAS, Save Our Sherwoods ("SOS") and others in the community have brought the significance of this area and roads to the attention of the City and County of Honolulu and seeks to have the names of the area and roads renamed to Hūnānāniho Cultural and Historical Park, Kūkiaʻipapa Road and Nākuaʻāina Road; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that it is in the community's best interest to recognize and honor the history and cultural heritage of the area by renaming the Waimānalo Bay Beach Park to Hūnānāniho Cultural and Historical Park, Walker Road to Kūkia'ipapa Road, and Smith Road to Nākua'āina Road; and

WHEREAS, the Council will work together with SOS and others in the community on developing an appropriate management plan that protects and preserves the natural and cultural integrity of Hūnānāniho Cultural and Historical Park; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu, that Waimānalo Bay Beach Park be renamed Hūnānāniho Cultural and Historical Park; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council approves the renaming of Walker Road to Kūkia'ipapa Road and Smith Road to Nākua'aina Road; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council requests and authorizes the City Administration to erect appropriate signage at the park; and



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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

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